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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

SB 1778 (Alarcon), as amended on May 1, 2006, would change the way green waste is counted toward solid waste diversion requirements. Specifically, it would eliminate diversion credit for green waste as an alternative daily cover (ADC) and instead count it as disposal.

Existing law, the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (AB 939), requires cities and counties to reduce the amount of solid waste disposed at landfills by 50 percent. Failure to mathematically demonstrate achievement of this requirement may subject a jurisdiction to penalties of up to \$10,000 per day.

In order to reduce the use of clean soil as cover material, the State approved green waste as ADC and allowed diversion credit for such use. In 1996, the State enacted AB 1647, reaffirming its commitment to allowing diversion credit for green waste ADC. The Department of Public Works (DPW) indicates that due to the ability to obtain diversion credit for utilizing green waste ADC, jurisdictions and private industry invested in expensive equipment and infrastructure to implement green waste recycling programs which provide for the separate collection of green waste to be used as ADC. Seventy-seven jurisdictions in Los Angeles County now rely on this infrastructure to manage green waste material and to meet the State's 50 percent waste reduction

mandate, since green waste accounts for approximately 15 percent of the waste stream.

DPW indicates that if enacted, SB 1778 would jeopardize local jurisdictions' achievement of the State's 50 percent waste reduction mandate and increase costs for local jurisdictions and residents for the collection and processing of green waste materials. DPW recommends that the County oppose SB 1778, and we concur. Opposition to SB 1778 is consistent with existing policy to oppose legislation to eliminate diversion credits for the use of green waste as a landfill cover, and existing policy to oppose SB 411 (Alarcon), a substantially similar bill. **Therefore, our Sacramento advocates will oppose SB 1778.**

SB 1778 is set for hearing on May 15, 2006 in the Senate Appropriations Committee. It is supported by Californians Against Waste and the Sierra Club, California. It is opposed by a host of entities, including: Allied Waste, Inc., California Refuse Removal Council, California State Association of Counties, League of California Cities, the Los Angeles County Waste Management Association, the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, and the Solid Waste Association of Orange County.

Status of County-Interest Legislation

County-opposed unless amended SB 1206 (Kehoe), which attempts to reform key elements of California redevelopment law, was substantially amended on May 9, 2006. The amended version of the bill, reflecting extensive discussions between the author's staff, my office, and County Counsel, deletes previous provisions that, while intended to strengthen redevelopment law, added ambiguity to the existing status and could potentially have had the effect of weakening current law.

For example, the amended version of SB 1206 deleted the provisions that would have replaced the current methodology to determine blight with "metrics" that compare conditions in a project area to the remainder of a city. This relative standard approach would have very likely created a variable or "local worst" definition of blight rather than a uniform and more objective standard. In other words, the use of a relative standard approach could enable large, relatively affluent communities to use redevelopment in areas merely less prosperous than the city average. Moreover, this approach could have likely made it more difficult for smaller cities with relatively poor citywide conditions to demonstrate blight.

Additionally, the current version of SB 1206, among other provisions, includes new language that strengthens redevelopment law and curbs potential abuse by requiring redevelopment plans to have "specific, quantifiable evidence that documents" blight findings, and to base such findings on "clear and convincing evidence."

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Consistent with the County's State Legislative Agenda to support measures to strengthen the blight findings requirement to prevent redevelopment abuse, **our Sacramento advocates will now take a support position on SB 1206**. The bill is scheduled for hearing before the Senate Committee on Appropriations on May 15, 2006.

County-supported AB 1785 (Bermudez), which would increase the amount required to be budgeted for allocation to grade separation projects from \$15 million to \$70 million annually, is currently on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File due to significant State costs.

In the February 24, 2006 State Update, my office indicated that our Sacramento advocates would support AB 1785 provided that there would be no negative impact on DPW's other funding sources. DPW has researched the impact of the proposal to increase grade separation funding and has determined that this redistribution of the State Highway Account would reduce the amount of available funding for other programs included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Although there would be a reduction in funding for the STIP, DPW indicates that Los Angeles County, as a region, only receives approximately 17 percent of the available STIP funds despite the fact that the County accounts for 28 percent of the State's population and 25 percent of the vehicle miles traveled. DPW believes that they would be able to secure a greater share of the additional funds in the grade separation program as a result of the increased funding for the program than they would lose for other programs in the STIP, and therefore still supports AB 1785.

Furthermore, DPW indicates that existing law limits the maximum allocation for a single project to no more than \$5 million without specific legislative authorization, \$15 million to a single project if it is the highest ranking project on the priority list established by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), and between \$5 million and \$20 million for a single project if: 1) it is included in the PUC's priority list or projects to be funded; 2) eliminates the need for future related grade separation projects; 3) provides project cost savings of at least 50 percent to the State or local government by eliminating the need for future projects; and 4) alleviates traffic and safety problem or provides improved rail service not otherwise possible. These limitations on the maximum amount of funding for single grade separation projects have not changed since 1974.

According to the Rail Operations and Safety Branch of the PUC, it can cost anywhere from \$7 million to \$40 million for a single grade separation. DPW believes that the maximum amount of funding allowed to be spent on single grade separations should be increased since the amounts have been the same since 1974. Therefore, DPW recommends that the County continue to support AB 1785, and seek an amendment to double the maximum amount of funding for single grade separation projects as follows: \$10 million for a single project without specific legislative authorization, \$30 million for a single project if it is the highest ranking project on the priority list established by the

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PUC, and between \$10 million and \$40 million for projects that meet multiple needs. **Therefore, our Sacramento advocates will continue to support AB 1785, and seek an amendment to double the maximum amount of funding allowed for single grade separation projects.**

Master Bill List

A roster containing the status of all bills of County interest is attached.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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Attachment

c: All Department Heads
Legislative Strategist
Local 660
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California Contract Cities Association
Independent Cities Association
League of California Cities
City Managers Associations
Buddy Program Participants

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
STATUS OF BILLS OF INTEREST TO THE COUNTY
2005-06 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

These are bills we have pursued in Sacramento pursuant to Board actions or as reported in bill policy memoranda.

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
AB 13	Goldberg	Support (State Update: 4/21/05)	Would establish the California Racial Mascots Act which would prohibit public schools from using the term 'Redskins' as a school or athletic team name, mascot, or nickname beginning January 1, 2007. Schools with enrollment boundaries that include a portion of Indian reservations would be exempted provided that the tribe having regulatory jurisdiction over the territory has authorized the use of the team name, mascot or nickname through an appropriate enactment or resolution.	Vetoed
AB 22	Lieber, Liu	Support (Board Action: 6/7/05)	Would define and provide strong deterrents to the crime of human trafficking, which involves the recruitment, transportation, or sale of persons for forced labor.	Chapter 240 of 2005
AB 32	Pavley, Nunez	Support (State Update: 4/20/06)	Would enact the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, to require the California Air Resources Board to adopt regulations on or before January 1, 2008, establishing a program to monitor and report on existing emissions and changes in emissions of greenhouse gases from identified sources, and to monitor compliance with emission limits on greenhouse gases. The bill would also establish a task force to coordinate investments of State moneys and programs that reduce emissions of such gases, promote economic growth, and make information on such gases available to the public.	Senate Environmental Quality
AB 109	Chan	Support (State Update: 9/8/05)	NOW: Still does the same but was recently amended to strengthen fiscal oversight by the State and maintain local control over First 5 commissions. PREVIOUSLY: Would have required county First 5 commissions to: 1) adopt policies regarding conflict of interest and contracting and procurement procedures; 2) adopt a limit on the amount of its operating budget that can be spent on administrative functions; 3) adopt policies and processes establishing the salaries and benefits of employees of the county commission; and 4) send its annual audit and report to the State First 5 Commission. This bill was double-joined to SB 35 (Florez), a related measure.	Chapter 284 of 2005

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AB 126	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 1/25/05)	Would require counties to make and publish findings based on public hearings that closing, eliminating, reducing indigent health care services, or leasing, selling or transferring management of a county facility will not have a detrimental impact on the health care needs of indigent people in the county.	Died in Assembly
AB 137	Committee on Budget	Support (State Update: 9/9/05)	Would implement the agreement reached between Senator Migden and the City of Long Beach with respect to the use of Tidelands revenues for abandoned oil well clean-up and would allow the City to use the revenues produced in the State Tidelands for future use in clean-up of oil fields.	Chapter 521 of 2005
AB 158	Bermudez	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would create the Special Railroad Safety Task Force, comprised of specified members, and require the task force to meet monthly from January 2007 to December 2007 to study certain railroad safety issues, including vandalism, transporting hazardous waste, and identifying threats from terrorism, deficiencies in current land use planning and deficiencies for responding to railroad emergencies, and make recommendations for improving railroad safety.	Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications
AB 208	Gordon, Parra	Support (Board Action: 2/15/05)	Would authorize school districts that have elected to become a school district of choice prior to April 1, 2005, to give priority for transfers to the children of military personnel, and establish specific time lines within which such a transfer may be requested by the parent or guardian, and must be resolved by the school district.	Chapter 142 of 2005
AB 262	Berg	Support in Concept (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would prohibit the Judicial Council from requiring that a court facility proposed to be transferred from a county to the State be held to a stricter standard than those standards adopted by the county for county buildings.	Died in Assembly
AB 327	De La Torre	Support (State Update: 7/27/05)	Would establish a new voluntary \$50 fee for the issuance or renewal of a physician and surgeon's license certificate to fund the Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program which provides financial incentives to a physician to practice in a medically underserved community for a minimum of three years.	Chapter 293 of 2005
AB 338	Levine	Support (State Update: 3/30/05)	Would require the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to gradually phase in the use of crumb rubber, which is used to make rubberized-asphalt concrete, on State highway construction and repair projects, to the extent feasible. Only crumb rubber manufactured in the United States that is derived from waste tires taken from vehicles owned and operated in the U.S. may be used for compliance.	Chapter 709 of 2005

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AB 378	Chu	Support (State Update: 7/7/05)	Would extend the statute of limitation from one year to three years for the commencement of any action seeking penalties for an alleged violation of California's hate crimes statute, thereby aligning the administrative and civil statute of limitations for victims of hate crimes seeking civil remedies.	Chapter 123 of 2005
AB 379	Koretz	No Position	NOW: Was amended to prohibit health plans and life and disability insurers from basing coverage decisions solely on the fact that an applicant is a transgender individual.	Senate Health
	Evans	Support (State Update: 6/21/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have allowed satisfactory progress in a secondary school to count toward the 20 hours of core welfare-to-work activities required by CalWORKs participants to the extent the hours spent in secondary education cannot be accomplished within the remaining hours of required activities. It would have also allowed participation in vocational education, or other activities that would not preclude recipients from being able to count the following activities toward their 20-hour core requirement: 1) mental health, substance abuse, or domestic violence services; 2) adult education; 3) job skills training; 4) education directly related to employment; and 5) satisfactory progress in a secondary school.	Chapter 692 of 2005
AB 547	Berg, Richman	Support (State Update: 4/4/05)	Would repeal the requirement that a city or county authorize its needle exchange program through a declaration of a local emergency, and authorize clean needle exchange programs upon the action of a county board of supervisors and the local health officer or health commission, or upon the action of a city council, the mayor and the local health officer. This bill would require all local jurisdictions with a needle exchange program to have an annual public hearing that provides the public, local government, law enforcement and local public health officials the opportunity to evaluate and comment on the program.	Senate Judiciary
AB 573	Wolk	Oppose (State Update: 4/7/06)	Would limit the scope of indemnity provisions that local agencies can require of design professionals in agreements or contracts.	Senate Judiciary
AB 613	Mountjoy	Support (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would establish a higher burden of proof for the determination of "job relatedness" in workers' compensation cases. Under current law, an injury is deemed compensable (job related) if the job contributes in any manner or degree as the cause of the injury. AB 613 would provide that for an injury to be deemed compensable there must be a preponderance of evidence that employment activities were the predominant causes of the injury.	Died in Assembly

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AB 624	Montanez	Support (State Update: 8/25/05)	Would require the California Department of Health Services to modify the electronic Child Health and Disability Program (CHDP) gateway application process to allow simultaneous application for CHDP, Medi-Cal and the Healthy Families Program, and to provide for continuing preliminary benefits until eligibility is finally determined.	Vetoed
AB 642	Negrete-McLeod	Oppose Unless Amended to limit liability to those instances where injury or death is a result of an action by the employer (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would create a job-related presumption for workers' compensation for an injury or death as a result of a vaccination or medication given to prevent infection from a biochemical substance. Under the bill, the employer would be liable even if the vaccination is procured solely by the employee without direction of the employer.	Died in Assembly
AB 667	Jones	No Position	NOW: Was amended to require the Legislative Analyst's Office to contract with an appropriate and qualified entity to conduct an evaluation of the child support program and report the findings and recommendations of the evaluation to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2007.	Senate Appropriations
			PREVIOUSLY: Would have changed the performance standards relating to, and State oversight of, local child support agencies and required the State to either seek the removal of the local administrator or assess a financial penalty for failure to achieve performance standards.	Vetoed
			NOW: The bill was recently amended to retain the SFIS photographing requirement and eliminates SFIS for Food Stamp only cases.	Vetoed
			PREVIOUSLY: Still does the same but was amended to maintain the Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System (SFIS) for CalWORKs cases and Food Stamp cases with General Assistance, eliminate SFIS for Food Stamp only cases, and eliminate the current SFIS requirement of taking photographs of CalWORKs and Food Stamp applicants as a condition of receiving benefits.	Vetoed
			INITIALLY: Would have: 1) replaced the quarterly reporting in CalWORKs and Food Stamps with semi-annual reporting; 2) provided categorical eligibility to Food Stamp benefits for certain Medi-Cal participants; 3) simplified Food Stamp verification requirements; 4) required the State to seek a Federal waiver to exempt certain Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents from the 3 month limit to Food Stamp benefits, at the option of the County; and 5) eliminated the requirement to maintain a statewide fingerprint imaging system for use in connection with eligibility for CalWORKs, Food Stamps and General Assistance.	

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AB 717	Gordon, Horton	Support (State Update: 5/26/05)	NOW: Still does the same but was amended to address the County's concerns regarding compliance and reimbursement rates.	Died in Senate
		Support and Amend to specify that the Centinela Airport Clinic must comply with the policies and procedures of the local EMS Agency to receive basic life support patients as part of the 911 EMS system, and to increase reimbursement rates for physicians and ambulance service providers (Board Action: 5/10/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have: 1) required the Centinela Airport Clinic to receive private and government reimbursement rates equivalent to that of a contiguous emergency department of a general acute care hospital if it met certain specified requirements; 2) authorized the Centinela Airport Clinic to receive 911 telephone system transports of basic life-support patients at the rate applicable in October, 2004; and 3) required the Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services Agency to report to the Legislature by May 1, 2008 on the effect the clinic has had on the quality of emergency health care services provided by the clinic.	Died in Senate
AB 761	Jones	Oppose (State Update: 5/24/05)	Would require acute general hospitals, psychiatric hospitals and special hospitals to consider any staffing guidelines developed by relevant professional associations in determining non-nurse staffing levels and to annually review and report worker and patient injury rates.	Vetoed
AB 779	De La Torre	Support (State Update: 6/10/05)	Would require the California Department of Health Services to work with counties, providers and advocates to implement an automated procedure to give Medi-Cal providers access to the due dates of the annual Medi-Cal redetermination and semi-annual status report, which patients must submit to maintain Medi-Cal eligibility and a beneficiary's final month and year of Medi-Cal eligibility. Under this bill, Medi-Cal providers would have the option of notifying Medi-Cal beneficiaries of approaching due dates for these required reports using information from the automated system. The State would be required to implement the automated notification system on or before June 30, 2006, if funds are appropriated for this purpose.	Chapter 714 of 2005
AB 783	Jones	Support (State Update: 4/1/05)	Would require the State to pay for expenses incurred by local governments in the preparation and conduct of elections proclaimed by the Governor in 2005 to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senate or Representative in Congress. It also provides that where an election is consolidated with a local election, the State would only pay for those additional expenses directly related to the election proclaimed by the Governor.	Senate Local Government
AB 802	Wolk	Oppose (State Update: 4/7/06)	Would require local governments to include flood management in the conservation and safety elements of their general plans, including a 200-year flood hazard mapping instead of a 100-year flood hazard mapping.	Senate Local Government

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AB 856	Bass	Support (Board Action: 4/19/05)	Would add the Director of the Department of Conservation, or his or her designee, as a non-voting member of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) board, make changes pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, and repeal the requirement that the BHC obtain and maintain liability insurance.	Chapter 223 of 2005
AB 862	Bass	Support (State Update: 5/12/05)	Would direct the Department of Corrections to provide information on child support modification orders to every inmate who is a parent of a minor. The Department of Child Support Services would develop the information and provide it to the Department of Corrections for distribution. The information would include: 1) a Child Support Handbook; 2) a pamphlet entitled "Child Support Information for the Parent in Jail or Prison"; and 3) any other material developed by the Department of Child Support Services that will provide the necessary information regarding child support processes and procedures.	Vetoed
AB 889	Ruskin	Support (State Update: 5/2/05)	Would continue the authority of counties to collect registration fees for commercial weighing and measuring devices (scales and meters used to calculate the price of goods sold) by repealing the sunset date of January 1, 2006, and would aim to standardize the way county point-of-sale (scanner) inspection programs operate.	Chapter 529 of 2005
AB 921	Daucher	Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	Would: 1) allow the term of redevelopment projects to be extended for an additional 25 years without making a new finding of blight; 2) allow a redevelopment agency, during a 25-year extension, to use up to 40 percent of the property tax allocated for infrastructure improvements related to the production of market-priced or affordable housing while using a minimum of 60 percent of the funds to increase, improve, or preserve market-priced and affordable housing; and 3) limit the amount of property tax shifted to redevelopment agency receipts during a 25-year extension to 50 percent of the amount that would otherwise be allocated under current law.	Died in Assembly
AB 1056	Chu	Support (State Update: 2/27/06)	Would establish the Tolerance Education Pilot Program to promote the teaching of tolerance and inter-group relations as part of the instruction in history and social sciences in public schools. Would also require the State Department of Education (SDE) to administer the program, and allow schools to apply to SDE for funding and receive a one-time grant of \$25,000 per school. Each school selected to participate in the program is required to develop a plan to implement a tolerance and inter-group curriculum and submit a report to the State Department of Education on the effectiveness of the curriculum, three years after receiving initial funding.	Senate Education Senate Education Senate Education Senate Suspense File Senate Suspense File

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AB 1090	Matthews	No Position	NOW: Was amended to remove the authorization for jurisdictions to earn diversion credit for the use of conversion technologies.	Died in Assembly
		Support (Board Action: 3/29/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have defined conversion technologies and promoted their development by incorporating conversion technologies within the State's waste management hierarchy in proper context to its environmental benefits and impacts, and provided diversion credit to jurisdictions that utilize such facilities.	
AB 1167	Chu	Oppose (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would allow the City of El Monte and the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency to amend the Downtown El Monte Redevelopment Project and: 1) eliminate the time limit on the establishment of indebtedness; 2) increase from \$44.4 million to \$65 million the amount of bonded indebtedness that the agency may have outstanding at any one time; 3) extend the time limit on the effectiveness of the plan for up to an additional 10 years; 4) substitute required pass-through payments to taxing agencies (including the County) with "certain tax increment amounts"; and 5) commit 30 percent of all taxes allocated pursuant to transit oriented projects to low and moderate income housing.	Died in Assembly
AB 1209	Yee	Oppose (State Update: 3/28/06)	Would repeal certain medical treatment aspects of the workers' compensation reform enacted by County-supported SB 228 (Alarcon).	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
AB 1248	Umbreg	Oppose (State Update: 4/7/05)	Would prohibit a county from imposing a booking fee on local agencies, colleges, and universities for county costs incurred in processing or booking persons arrested by those entities for a felony offense, by permitting the charging of a fee only for crimes which are not felonies. The measure also expressly prohibits the imposition of booking fees for misdemeanor offenses relating to driving under the influence, domestic violence, battery, and specified sex-related offenses.	Died in Assembly
AB 1252	Pavley	No Position	NOW: Was amended to authorize the State Department of Transportation to employ the design-build method or design-sequencing method for construction of carpool lanes on the 405 Freeway in Los Angeles.	Senate Inactive File
		Support (Board Action: 4/26/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have authorized the County to designate Mulholland Highway as an official County Scenic Highway.	

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AB 1269	Pavley	Support and Amend to specify a local appropriation based on population and location and include beach facilities and improvements in the eligible uses for grant assistance (State Update: 6/10/05)	Would enact the Clean Air, Clean Water, Coastal Protection, and Parks Act of 2007, which, if adopted by the voters, would authorize an unspecified amount in State General Obligation Bonds for resource protection, acquisition, restoration and development. The bill has four major funding categories (Clean Air, Clean Water, Coastal Protection, Parks and Wildlife Protection), all of which the County would be eligible to compete for funding. The bill currently does not specify an amount of bond funding or identify a future statewide ballot for the proposal to be submitted to the voters. The bill provides that up to 10 percent of the program funds would be made available to finance monitoring, research, or planning necessary for successful project implementation.	Died in Assembly
AB 1285	Montanez	County-sponsored	Would expand eligibility for participation in the Investing in Early Educators stipend program to include persons working in licensed family child care homes and child care centers that do not hold California Department of Education contracts.	Chapter 650 of 2005
AB 1330	Karnette	Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	Would: 1) establish the Harbor District Development Authority in the City of Los Angeles, and authorize the Los Angeles City Council, by resolution, to designate the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners as the redevelopment agency for the Los Angeles Harbor District (LAHD); 2) create a new definition of blight that fits the circumstances of the LAHD; 3) exempt the LAHD from certain environmental impact report requirements; 4) shorten plan adoption reporting requirements; and 5) eliminate the prohibition on redevelopment agency use of property tax increment for operations and maintenance expenses (current law restricts the use of agency funds to capital expenses).	Died in Assembly
AB 1331	Umberg	Oppose (State Update: 3/23/05)	Would exempt most safety member employees from workers' compensation reforms established by SB 899 of 2004 relating to apportionment of permanent disability and to certain presumptions.	Died in Assembly

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AB 1333	Frommer	Support (State Update: 6/3/05)	Would: 1) make it a crime for a grease hauler to discard grease materials at any place other than an authorized facility; 2) prohibit a grease hauler from reinserting grease materials into any facility from which the hauler has just removed the material; 3) subject violators to a misdemeanor, punishable by six months in jail or a maximum \$10,000 fine, or both, and allows the court to bar repeat violators from engaging in the grease hauling business for up to five years; and 4) earmark 50 percent of penalty revenue to the Environmental and Training Account, 25 percent to the customary penalty distribution process, and 25 percent to the local health officer or other local official who investigated the matter bringing the action.	Senate Floor
AB 1361	Dymally	Support (State Update: 4/14/06)	Would extend the time limit for enterprise zones to 25 years. Currently, enterprise zones established prior to 1990 have 20-year limits, and zones established after 1990 have 15-year limits.	Senate Revenue and Taxation
AB 1368	Umberg	Oppose (State Update: 6/29/05)	Would exempt public safety employees from certain elements of the workers' compensation reform enacted by SB 899 of 2004 relating to apportionment of permanent disability and to certain presumptions.	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
AB 1380	Gordon	Support (Board Action: 4/12/05)	Would require: 1) the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to request the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to delegate authority to the CPUC to implement inventory management guidelines to ensure carrier compliance with 6-month inventory rules and timing for donations and returns to the telecommunications numbering pool; 2) the CPUC to develop rules that ensure compliance with FCC numbering resource optimization orders; and 3) these rules to be implemented immediately upon the delegation of authority by the FCC, and specify that other requirements would be placed upon telephone corporations regarding the inventory of numbering resources applicable if the CPUC fails to develop and implement rules by July 31, 2006.	Vetoed
AB 1459	Canciamilla	Support (State Update: 8/25/05)	Would increase the small claims court jurisdiction over actions brought by an individual, if the amount does not exceed \$7,500, with specified exceptions and provides that small claims court advisory services must cover specific topics relating to small claims court rules, filings, procedures related to conduct of the hearing, and information on the collection of small claims court judgments. In addition, on and after July 1, 2006, this bill would require temporary judges to complete ethics and substantive law courses covering State, Federal, and local laws.	Chapter 618 of 2005

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AB 1491	Calderon	Oppose (Board Action: 3/8/05)	Would reduce the Housing Authority's responsibility for the allocation of Industry Housing Fund Program funds by authorizing the City of Industry to transfer up to 50 percent of the low-and moderate-income housing funds currently administered by the Housing Authority to another eligible public entity located outside the City.	Died in Assembly
AB 1511	Evans	Support (State Update: 7/7/05)	NOW: Still does the same thing but was amended to: 1) include Los Angeles County as an entity eligible to use the design-build contract method; 2) double-join AB 1511 to SB 287 (Cox); and 3) make other changes related to design build.	Chapter 350 of 2005
		Support if Amended to include Los Angeles County (Board Action: 7/5/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have extended the sunset date in the design-build statute from January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2011, add 19 counties to the list of counties eligible to use the design-build contracting method, and make other changes related to the use of the design-build contract method.	
AB 1565	Pavley	Support (State Update: 6/7/05)	Would require the California Department of Education (CDE) to select an independent contractor by May 31, 2006 to study the development, implementation and evaluation of a statewide quality rating system for child day care centers and family day care homes. The contractor must conduct the study in consultation with an advisory group selected by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and submit a final report on the study findings to the Legislature no later than one year after the contract is awarded. The bill appropriates \$1.5 million to execute the study and produce the report, and \$345,000 to CDE to hire a consultant to develop a request for proposal to select the independent contractor, staff the advisory panel, and to oversee and monitor the contract.	Vetoed
AB 1605	Wolk, Berg	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	Would add officers and employees of financial institutions, including banks, credit unions, and savings and loans, to those designated as mandated reporters of financial abuse perpetrated against elder and dependent adults.	Died in Assembly
AB 1634	McCarthy	Support (State Update: 3/22/06)	Would appropriate funds for State and local costs incurred for the special statewide election held in November 2005. The bill would provide \$9 million for State costs and \$27.8 million for counties. Urgency measure.	Senate Elections, Reapportionment and Constitutional Amendments

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AB 1664	De Le Torre	Support (State Update: 7/12/05)	NOW: Was amended to establish the New Californians Act to assist eligible immigrants through the naturalization process and require the California Department of Community Services and Development to: 1) develop a comprehensive, coordinated, accessible and accountable naturalization and civic participation program; 2) create a method for allocating funds for services; and 3) establish an advisory committee to monitor the effectiveness of the New Californians Act.	Senate Banking, Finance and Insurance
Gordon		Oppose (State Update: 6/1/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have permitted voluntary disclosure of elder or dependent adult financial abuse by financial institutions, and required certain financial institutions to provide training to their employees regarding such abuse. It would also have granted broad civil and criminal immunity to financial institutions and their officers, employees, and agents related to any financial abuse that is disclosed.	Chapter 134 of 2005
AB 1769	Negrete-McLeod	County-sponsored	Would provide an exemption for the Los Angeles County Fire Chief from the mandatory retirement provisions under the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, only if the person was employed as fire chief prior to May 1, 2005 and the person retires before April 1, 2009. The bill extends this exemption only through April 1, 2009. Urgency measure.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 1785	Bermudez	Support (State Update: 2/24/06)	Would increase the amount required to be budgeted for allocation to grade separation projects from \$15 million to \$70 million annually.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 1799	Umberg	Support (State Update: 2/24/06)	Would require the State to pay for expenses incurred on or after January 1, 2006, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of State Senator or member of the Assembly or to fill a vacancy in the office of the United States Senate or Representative in Congress. Where an election proclaimed by the Governor is consolidated with a local election, the State would pay only those additional expenses directly related to the election proclaimed by the Governor. Urgency measure.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 1831	Jones	Support (State Update: 3/17/06)	Would enact the California Critical Infrastructure Facilities Bond Acts of 2006 and 2010 that would, if adopted by the voters, authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition, construction, or renovation of State trial court facilities, State park system capital assets, mental health facilities, and other State facilities. \$1.227 billion in general obligation bonds would be authorized for 2006, of which \$800 million would be designated for the acquisition, design, construction, or renovation of trial court facilities. The 2010 Act would authorize issuance of \$1 billion of general obligation bonds for trial court facilities acquisition, design, construction, or renovation	Assembly Desk

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AB 1873	Torrico	Support if Amended to maintain the current scope of the Safe Surrender program to infants up to 72 hours of age and allow local Board of Supervisors to designate Safe Surrender sites (Board Action: 1/31/06)	Would: 1) expand the definition of a Safe Surrender site to include a local fire agency upon the approval of the appropriate governing body; 2) raise the age at which an infant can be surrendered from 72 hours old or younger to up to 30 days; 3) specify that a Safe Surrender site or personnel at the Safe Surrender site shall have no liability for a surrendered child; 4) appropriate \$5 million to the California Department of Social Services to conduct a statewide awareness campaign publicizing the existence of Safe Surrender sites; and 5) require the State to establish and operate a toll-free telephone number to provide information and assistance to the public regarding Safe Surrender sites.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 1903	Benoit	No Position	NOW: Was amended to address suspension of a driver's license for those driving under the influence of a controlled substance.	Assembly Appropriations
		Support (State Update: 3/17/06)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have added hospitals to the list of interested parties authorized to receive copies of accident reports.	
AB 1979	Bass	Support (Board Action: 3/21/06)	Would waive fees for conducting criminal background checks charged to any nonprofit agency approved by the State, or a county or city that provides mentoring services for children in foster care.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 1982	Bass	Support (State Update: 3/30/06)	Would extend eligibility for the Kinship Guardian Assistance Payment (Kin-Gap) Program to wards of the juvenile delinquency court, in addition to currently eligible dependent children of the juvenile court.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2157	Chu	Oppose (State Update: 3/7/06)	Would allow the City of El Monte and the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency to amend the Downtown El Monte Redevelopment Project and: 1) eliminate the time limit on the establishment of indebtedness; 2) increase from \$44.4 million to \$65 million the amount of bonded indebtedness that the agency may have outstanding at any one time; 3) increase to \$150 million the amount of tax increment revenues that may be allocated to the El Monte Community Redevelopment Agency; 4) define a geographic specific area in El Monte as a "transit oriented redevelopment project"; 5) allow redevelopment funds to be used for public infrastructure improvements including, among other things, relocation of a fire station, acquisition of public park lands, and construction of parking structures for park visitors and mass transit commuters; and 6) modify required pass-through payments to taxing agencies (except the County).	Assembly Housing and Community Development

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AB 2161	Hancock	Support (State Update: 3/30/06)	Would establish the Unified Resource Families Assessment Pilot Project in five volunteer counties selected by the California Department of Social Services. The pilot would merge multiple, duplicative processes for licensing and approving relatives, foster families and adoptive parents who care for abused and neglected children.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2193	Bass, Cohn	Support (State Update: 3/30/06)	Would establish a new child welfare budget methodology to implement the caseload relief recommendation of the SB 2030 Child Welfare Workload Study. SB 2030, which was enacted in 1998, directed the California Department of Social Services to commission a study of workload standards in child welfare. The study recommended both minimal and optimal caseload budgeting standards for child welfare services.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2240	Committee on Public Employees, Retirement & Social Security	Support (State Update: 2/27/06)	Would permit noncontributory retirement plan employees in 1937 Retirement Act counties to purchase up to five years of service credit upon payment of additional contributions prior to retirement either by lump sum or by installment payments over a period of up to ten years. This bill is a local option measure.	Senate Public Employment and Retirement
AB 2259	Salinas	Oppose (State Update: 5/4/06)	Would extend the sunset date from January 1, 2007 to January 1, 2013, for Local Agency Formation Commissions' authority to review any proposed extension of urban levels of services to outlying unincorporated areas of the State's counties.	Assembly Local Government
AB 2286	Torrico	Oppose Unless Amended to expressly exclude taxing entities which are not forming an IFD, or require the affected taxing entities' approval for the use of tax increment revenues in IFDs (State Update: 5/4/06)	Would allow a city or county to create an infrastructure financing district (IFD) in a housing opportunity zone, as defined, to finance public capital facilities using property tax increment revenues. Specifically, the bill would permit a district to finance public capital facilities and services to support and benefit new housing development including, but not limited to, streets and roads, sewers, storm water, wastewater treatment, flood control, solid waste, local parks and community recreations, transit, police protections, fire protections and suppression, ambulance and paramedic services, and recreation and library services. The bill specifies that an IFD may include non-contiguous areas.	Assembly Local Government
AB 2297	Ruskin	Support (State Update: 4/25/06)	Would amend the Food and Agricultural Code to require the appropriation of \$16 million for local high-risk pest exclusion activities, and the development of work plans for the exclusion of high-risk pests by the State Department of Food and Agriculture in conjunction with county agricultural commissioners, and in consultation with affected industry representatives.	Assembly Appropriations

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AB 2346	Oropeza	No Position	NOW: Was amended to replace the previous approach with provisions that authorize an infrastructure financing district for the Harbor. Unlike redevelopment law, infrastructure financing districts require the consent of taxing entities, such as the County, regarding the use of tax increment revenues.	Senate Desk
		Oppose (State Update: 3/7/06)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have: 1) established the Harbor District Development Authority in the City of Los Angeles, and authorized the Los Angeles City Council, by resolution, to designate the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners as the redevelopment agency for the Los Angeles Harbor District (LAHD); and 2) eliminated the prohibition on redevelopment agency use of property tax increment for operations and maintenance expenses (current law restricts the use of agency funds to capital expenses).	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2754	Chan	Oppose (State Update: 5/4/06)	Would require hospitals to adopt a plan or procedure for determining the staffing of professional and technical classifications to be used by a hospital to determine the number of competent personnel with the appropriate combination of skills necessary to meet the needs of its patients. This plan or procedure would not apply to the staffing of nursing personnel which is already subject to ratios established by regulations implementing AB 394 (Kuehl) of 1999.	Assembly Floor
AB 2836	Karnette	Support (State Update: 3/28/06)	Would require residential care facilities for the elderly, licensed as of January 1, 2010, and with six or fewer clients or residents, to have an automatic fire sprinkler system by January 1, 2014. Facilities licensed on or after January 1, 2010 would be required to have an automatic fire sprinkler system on the date of licensure. The bill would limit the fee imposed by the local fire marshal for plan review or installation inspections of a fire sprinkler system to \$200. If the installation of a fire sprinkler system is the sole renovation, it would also limit the fee imposed for a local building inspection to \$200. The State Fire Marshal would be required to adopt regulations to implement these provisions by January 1, 2008.	Assembly Floor
AB 2838	Pavley	Support and Amend to clarify the proposed allocation of funds, the audit responsibility, and criteria that county board of supervisors must follow to participate in the program (State Update: 4/28/06)	Would establish the Coastal Environmental Motor Vehicle Program and authorize the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) to collect a fee of up to \$6 upon the registration or renewal of every motor vehicle registered in one of the twenty counties that elect to participate in the program, with funds to be spent on projects and grants that prevent, reduce, remediate, or mitigate the adverse environmental effects of motor vehicles and their associated facilities and infrastructure.	Assembly Appropriations

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AB 2870	De La Torre	County-sponsored	Would allow testing of inmates for communicable diseases in addition to HIV and AIDS when a law enforcement employee, including prosecutors, public defenders, and staff, are exposed to such communicable diseases through contact with an inmate in locations including a courtroom.	Assembly Floor
AB 2951	Goldberg	Oppose Unless Amended to explicitly provide that it has no retroactive effect, as well as to keep intact the existing "non-discriminatory requirement with respect to capital facility fees (State Update: 3/22/06)	Would change the way public utilities charge public agencies for capital costs. Under current law, certain fees charged to public agencies, such as the County, by public utilities, such as the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), must be "nondiscriminatory". This means that LADWP is only allowed to charge the County its pro-rata share of LADWP capital costs based on the County's power usage. This bill effectively seeks to eliminate the "nondiscriminatory" rate requirement in existing law and thus relieve LADWP of its current legal duty to charge the County only its pro-rata share of LADWP capital costs.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2961	Nunez	County-sponsored	Would enhance CalWORKs benefits for homeless CalWORKs families and assistance for CalWORKs families at imminent risk of homelessness by providing limited, short-term housing assistance as work support to participants engaged in Welfare-to-Work activities. The work support would be available for a period of 12 months when a county determines that housing instability threatens a CalWORKs participant's ability to secure or retain a job. The work support would be based on the size of the family and paid directly to the participant's landlord, property manager, or other appropriate entity. CalWORKs participants who are sanctioned for non-compliance with Welfare-to-Work requirements would not be eligible for work support.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2987	Nunez	Oppose Unless Amended to: clarify language to avert reductions of local government (locals) franchise and property tax revenues attributable to possessory interests; require PEG channels; affirm the authority of locals to control the use of public rights-of-way; provide a mechanism for locals to enforce consumer protection; and address build-out requirements and standards (State Update: 4/21/06)	Would create a statewide franchising authority for the provision of cable or video services to be administered by the Department of Corporations (DOC) which would become the sole franchising authority in California. This bill would permit current franchisees to apply for State-issued franchises upon expiration of their current agreements, require municipalities to permit the installation of networks by holders of State-issued franchises and preclude enforcement of consumer protection standards by local governments. Under the terms of existing franchise agreements, which are monitored by the County's Department of Consumer Affairs, the County manages public rights-of-way, collects approximately \$4 million annually through a five percent fee on gross revenues, imposes Public, Educational, and Governmental (PEG) channel requirements, and protects consumer interests. This bill does not protect the County's franchise revenues, and does not address the status of possessory interest taxes.	Assembly Appropriations

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AB 3042	Evans	No Position	NOW: Still does the same but was amended to exclude the City of Industry.	Assembly Local Government
		Oppose Unless Amended to exclude the City of Industry (State Update: 4/20/06)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have provided an additional procedure by which a city or county may enter into an agreement to transfer a percentage of its share of the regional housing needs to another city or county. Existing law exempts the City of Industry from adopting a Housing Element that would otherwise require the City to provide new housing and its share of regional housing needs, if it transfers 20 percent of the City's total tax increment revenue that is required to be set aside for low-and moderate-income housing to the Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles (HACoLA) to administer low-and moderate-income housing. This bill would have jeopardized HACoLA's authority over the City of Industry Funds.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 3070	Committee on Health	Support (State Update: 4/21/06)	Would make technical changes to the statutes created by County-supported SB 1100 (Perata and Ducheny, Chapter 560 of Statutes of 2005) which implemented the Medi-Cal Hospital Financing Waiver. Among the technical changes AB 3070 would make are corrections of drafting errors and omissions in SB 1100 relating to the treatment of certain public hospital Certified Public Expenditures used to claim waiver funds, and adjustments to baseline payments to district hospitals.	Assembly Inactive File
ACA 17	Mullin	Support (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would amend the California Constitution to authorize 17-year old citizens, who will be at least 18 years old by the next general election, to register and vote at that general election and at any intervening primary or special elections that occur after the person is eligible to register to vote.	Resolution Chapter 101 of 2005
AJR 22	Bass	County-sponsored	Would urge Congress and the President to take immediate action to eliminate restrictions on child death review teams to access school records of deceased children.	
SB 34	Florez	No Position	NOW: Was amended to address the probation requirements of sex offenders and make other changes related to sex offender registration.	Died in Senate
		Oppose (Board Action: 3/1/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required that the majority of the membership of the county First 5 commissions consist of persons who do not represent a county.	

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SB 35	Florez	Support (State Update: 9/8/05)	NOW: Was recently amended to strengthen fiscal oversight by the State and maintain local control over First 5 commissions.	Chapter 243 of 2005
		Support if Amended to require stronger fiscal oversight by the State without affecting local control (Board Action: 3/1/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required: 1) county First 5 commissions to send its annual audit and report to the State First 5 Commission; 2) the State Commission report to include a listing, by category, of the aggregate expenditures on program areas funded by the State and county commissions; and 3) the Controller to issue guidelines for expanded annual audits of each county commission. The State Commission was allowed to withhold the county commission's share of tobacco tax revenues for failure to submit the data. This measure was double-joined to AB 109 (Chan), a related bill.	Vetoed
SB 57	Alarcon	Support (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would augment the Emergency Medical Services Fund by allowing county board of supervisors, by resolution, to levy an additional \$2 penalty assessment on every \$10 penalty for all criminal offenses and moving violations. Also requires 15 percent of the funds collected to be used to fund all public and private pediatric trauma centers throughout the county, and requires counties that do not maintain a pediatric trauma center to use these funds to improve access to pediatric trauma and emergency services in the county.	Chapter 492 of 2005
SB 112	Ortiz	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to maintain the State's current formula which allocates RESS funds based on the number of aided refugees who live in each county, but modifies the formula to give more weight to those counties with more aided refugees in the U.S. less than 2 years.	
		Oppose (State Update: 4/8/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have changed the formula used to calculate each county's share of total State Refugee Employment Social Services (RESS) and Refugee Targeted Assistance Program (RTAP) funds. The bill would have required 50 percent of the RESS funds to be allocated on the proportion of refugees receiving public assistance, and the remaining 50 percent based on the most recent 60-month refugee arrival data. Would also have allocated RTAP funds based on the arrival data during the most recent 60-month period using Federal methodology. These changes would have resulted in the County receiving \$700,000 less funds for the Refugee Employment Program.	
SB 116	Dutton	Support (Board Action: 2/1/05) and County-sponsored	Would eliminate the Safe Surrender Law sunset provision in order to provide for the safe surrender of infants as a permanent alternative to abandonment.	Chapter 625 of 2005

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SB 148	Scott	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would authorize any county or city to apply new zoning regulations to pre-existing businesses which sell alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption, such as liquor stores, allow affected businesses up to six months to comply, and authorize local agencies to allow longer time periods.	Assembly Governmental Organization
SB 153	Chesbro	Support and Amend to include beaches in the definition of parks (State Update: 4/12/05)	Would enact the California Clean Water, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2006, which, if adopted by the voters, would authorize the issuance of \$3.945 billion in State General Obligation bonds for acquisition, development, restoration and preservation projects.	Assembly Appropriations
SB 258	Chesbro	Support (Board Action: 5/10/05)	Would require the California Department of Mental Health to establish a working group to develop recommendations on improving the quality of care in residential care facilities serving adults with mental illness.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
SB 266	Romero	Support (State Update: 6/14/05)	Would require the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) to establish a trauma care advisory committee to develop a statewide trauma care plan for presentation to the EMSA and the Legislature by January 1, 2007, to address all aspects of a trauma care system, including a seamless statewide transportation system, and all possible funding sources.	Vetoed
SB 267	Romero	Support (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would repeal all minimum distribution requirements, require local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) agencies to utilize a competitive grant-based system for allocating the funds, and require local EMS agencies to determine distribution of funds based on new criteria.	Assembly Appropriations
SB 287	Cox	Support (State Update: 7/7/05)	NOW: Still does the same thing but was amended to: 1) include Los Angeles County as an entity eligible to use the design-build contract method; 2) double-join SB 287 to AB 1511 (Evans); and 3) make other changes related to the use of the design-build.	Chapter 376 of 2005
		Support if Amended to include Los Angeles County (Board Action: 7/5/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have extended the sunset date in the design-build statute from January 1, 2006 to January 1, 2011, add 20 counties to the list of counties eligible to use the design-build contracting method, and make other changes related to the use of the design-build contract method.	
SB 308	Simitian	Support (State Update: 6/28/05)	Would allow counties the option, upon adoption of a resolution by a county board of supervisors, to increase recording fees on real estate documents up to \$2 to fund programs to deter, investigate, and prosecute civil proceedings involving the financial abuse of elder and dependent adults through fraudulent real estate transactions.	Assembly Inactive File

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SB 324	McClintock	Support (State Update: 3/15/05)	Would define a transportation gridlock emergency as a condition that requires extraordinary State action, and authorizes the Governor to declare a state of emergency when any highway has an average daily vehicle delay that exceeds 3,000 vehicle hours per day.	Died in Senate
SB 395	Escutia	Support if Amended to define 'court purposes' to include all county-court-related functions that are necessary for the efficient operation of the Superior Court (State Update: 4/29/05)	Would enact the California Court Facilities Bond Act of 2006 to fund the acquisition, construction, and renovation of trial court facilities, and place the bond act, for an as yet unspecified amount, on the ballot for the next Statewide election. This bill would provide funding needed because of the depletion of the Courthouse Construction Fund to build new court facilities or renovate existing court facilities that have been transferred to the State and allows the Judicial Council to require counties to pay for their share of bond principal, interest, and expenses for new construction or renovation.	Assembly Appropriations
SB 399	Escutia	Support (State Update: 5/24/05)	Would allow a county to assert a lien against a recovery that injured Medi-Cal eligible patients receive from a third party. It would allow a lien for past medical expenses against a settlement or compromise, in addition to a judgment and establish a new court procedure for resolving disputes that may arise between the provider and the patient relating to the amount that would be reimbursed to the provider.	Vetoed
SB 411	Alarcon	Oppose (State Update: 1/17/06)	Would eliminate the use of diversion credit for green waste as an alternative daily cover, which would jeopardize local jurisdictions' achievement of the State's 50 percent waste reduction mandate and increase costs for local jurisdictions and residents for the collection and processing of green waste materials.	Died in Senate
SB 466	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 1/26/06)	NOW: Was amended to authorize a pilot project within the City of Beverly Hills to use a mobile photo radar enforcement system within residential districts and school zones.	Died in Senate
SB 516	Ortiz	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Still would have done the same thing but was amended to include school zones as requested by the County. INITIALLY: Would have allowed a local agency to use a mobile photo radar system to enforce speed limits on streets within residential districts, subject to certain requirements.	Died in Senate
		Support and Amend to include school zones (State Update: 3/8/05)	Would require residential care facilities for the elderly with six or fewer clients or residents, licensed as of January 1, 2007, to have an automatic fire sprinkler system by January 1, 2013. Facilities licensed on or after January 1, 2009 would be required to have an automatic fire sprinkler system on the date of licensure.	Died in Senate

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SB 521	Torlakson	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to address recording fees in Contra Costa County.	Assembly Housing and Community Development
		Oppose (State Update: 3/24/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have changed redevelopment law relating to transit villages by: 1) allowing local governments to extend the boundaries of a transit village development plan; 2) amending current redevelopment law to include the lack of high density development within a transit village development district as an economic condition that causes blight; and 3) requiring the agency to submit the proposed transit village redevelopment plan to the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank which would make a finding on whether the proposed project is consistent with the requirements of redevelopment law.	
SB 539	Ashburn	Oppose (State Update: 6/23/05)	Would delay the start of payment for child care services to license-exempt providers until the provider is registered through the California Department of Social Services' Trustline program.	Assembly Human Services
SB 578	Escutia	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would require a railroad corporation to promptly notify the Office of Emergency Services, the California Highway Patrol, and designated county public safety agencies in an endangered area, of certain information relative to hazardous materials, and in certain events, of train and track locations, whether or not an accident or spill occurs. It also requires the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to investigate any incident that results in a notification pursuant to this requirement, and to include this information in its annual report to the Legislature.	Chapter 684 of 2005
SB 640	Escutia	Support (State Update: 5/10/05)	Would appropriate \$5 million in one-time only Federal quality carryover child development funds to continue local programs of training and technical assistance to child care providers to increase their capacity to care for children with disabilities, and specifies the eligible uses of the funds received by child care resource and referral agencies.	Chapter 379 of 2005
SB 656	Romero	County-sponsored	Would allow a county board of supervisors to place on the ballot a local tax of up to 5 percent on the sale of alcoholic beverages.	Died in Senate
SB 658	Kuehl	Support and Amend to clarify the proposed allocation of funds, project consultation provisions, and the audit responsibility (Board Action: 7/19/05)	Would establish the Coastal Environmental Motor Vehicle Program and authorize the State Coastal Conservancy (SCC) to collect a fee of up to \$6 upon the registration or renewal of every motor vehicle registered in one of the twenty counties that elect to participate in the program, with funds to be spent on projects and grants that prevent, reduce, remediate, or mitigate the adverse environmental effects of motor vehicles and their associated facilities and infrastructure.	Vetoed

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SB 699	Soto	County-sponsored	Would change California's HIV reporting system from code-based to names-based.	Chapter 20 of 2006
SB 739	Speier	Support (Board Action: 9/20/05)	Would require hospitals to participate in hospital-acquired infection reporting systems. Hospitals would be required to adopt, implement, and annually evaluate a written infection control program for the surveillance, prevention and control of hospital-acquired infections.	Assembly Inactive File
SB 803	Ducheny	Support (State Update: 8/25/05)	Would reauthorize and revise Proposition 36, the Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act of 2000, and would appropriate \$120 million annually to fund the Act through FY 2010-11. This bill would make changes to Proposition 36 to strengthen the program through close monitoring of defendants under a collaborative model involving treatment providers, the court, probation and parole; extended treatment services beyond the current 12-month limit when warranted; frequent drug testing; and use of short-term jail sanctions as a tool to enhance treatment compliance.	Assembly Public Safety
SB 840	Kuehl	Support (Board Action: 8/16/05)	Would provide health insurance coverage to all California residents through a single payer insurance program operated by the State.	Assembly Desk
SB 861	Speier	Support (Board Action: 8/9/05)	Would amend State law to allow cities and counties to regulate specific breeds of dogs through mandatory spay/neuter programs and other breeding requirements.	Chapter 668 of 2005
SB 869	Bowen	Support (State Update: 6/17/05)	Would establish the Nurse-Family Partnership Program and require the California Department of Health Services to make grants available to counties for the provision of voluntary visiting nurse services to first-time pregnant, low-income mothers, their children and their families. It would require that the program would be implemented only to the extent that funds for this purpose are appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or other statute that would authorize the Department to allocate any funds received for the program to program grantees.	Vetoed

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SB 926	Florez	No Position	NOW: Would require the completion and certification of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a proposed solid waste facility that informs the voters of the project's scope and impact on the environment before a local initiative that proposes to amend a city or county's general plan or zoning ordinance to allow the siting of a solid waste facility may be placed on the ballot. The county, in which the solid waste facility is proposed to be sited, is the lead agency, and would be required to make the EIR publicly available at the county's headquarters and on the Internet.	Assembly Desk
		Oppose (State Update: 4/4/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have permitted the Kern County Board of Supervisors to adopt an ordinance to regulate or prohibit the land application of sewage sludge in the unincorporated areas of Kern County, and would have required the prohibition, if enacted, to exempt land application permitted by a State or local entity before the effective date of the prohibition. The exemption would not have applied to any renewal of a pre-existing permit that regulated the land application of bio-solids when the renewal occurred after the effective date of the prohibition.	
SB 945	Soto	County-sponsored	Would change California's HIV reporting system from code-based to names-based.	Died in Senate
SB 969	Ducheny, Morrow	Oppose (State Update: 4/18/05)	Would exempt a driver who is 18 years of age or older from the requirement to wear a safety helmet when riding on a motorcycle, motor-driven cycle or motorized bike, if the driver has completed a motorcycle rider training program or has held a class M1 license for two years or more and has proof of current medical insurance. Would also exempt a passenger who is 18 years of age or older from the requirement to wear a helmet if the passenger has proof of current medical insurance.	Died in Senate
SB 1018	Simitian	Support (State Update: 4/14/05)	Would add officers and employees of financial institutions, including banks, credit unions, and savings and loans, to those designated as mandated reporters of financial abuse perpetrated against elder and dependent adults. The bill would also: 1) establish civil penalties from \$1,000 up to \$5,000 if the failure to report resulted in a death or great bodily injury; 2) require the penalty to be payable by the financial institution to the elder or dependant adult; and 3) create a liability-free period for newly-hired tellers for failing to report suspected elder abuse during the first six months of the teller's employment.	Chapter 140 of 2005

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SB 1086	Migden	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to delete language which would prevent the City of Long Beach from sequestering tidelands revenue for oil extraction mitigation and now extends for five years the sunset provision for the Resources Trust Fund.	Vetoed
		Oppose (Board Action: 6/21/05)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have prohibited the City of Long Beach from setting aside oil revenues produced in the State Tidelands for future use in cleanup of oil fields and would have required the City to return revenues in the abandonment reserve fund to the State.	Chapter 560 of 2005
SB 1100	Perata, Ducheny	Support (State Update: 9/7/05)	Would implement the Medicaid (Medi-Cal) hospital financing waiver recently agreed to by California and the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).	
SB 1163	Ackerman	Support and Amend to permit courthouse facilities to be constructed via public/private partnerships and authorize a pilot program in LA County (Support: State Update: 3/14/06)	Would enact the California Critical Infrastructure Facilities Bond Acts of 2006 and 2010 that would, if adopted by the voters, authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the acquisition, construction, or renovation of State trial court facilities, State park system capital assets, mental health facilities, and other State facilities. \$1.227 billion in general obligation bonds would be authorized for 2006, of which \$800 million would be designated for the acquisition, design, construction, or renovation of trial court facilities. The 2010 Act would authorize issuance of \$1 billion of general obligation bonds for trial court facilities acquisition, design, construction, or renovation.	Senate Judiciary
SB 1206	Kehoe	Oppose Unless Amended to eliminate vague and ambiguous provisions that potentially weaken current redevelopment law (State Update: 2/27/06)	Would reform key elements of California redevelopment law by: 1) making numerous changes to the definition of blight; 2) limiting the inclusion of unblighted parcels from redevelopment projects by requiring "other substantial justification"; 3) increasing oversight of redevelopment agencies by extending the timeframe for filing lawsuits regarding redevelopment decisions from 60 to 90 days; 4) requiring the Attorney General to review the validity of such lawsuits and making the State an interest party; 5) changing the way redevelopment agencies can merge projects and incur debt; and 6) prohibiting redevelopment agencies from buying land for a city hall or county administration building.	Senate Appropriations

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SB 1288	Cedillo	Support (State Update: 4/27/06)	Would increase the scope of benefits and reimbursement rates contained in Drug Medi-Cal in order to provide access to an appropriate continuum of care for youths from 12 to 20 years of age suffering from substance abuse disorders. It would codify the existing youth treatment guidelines of the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and direct the California Department of Health Services to seek Federal financial participation for these expanded services, but the legislation stipulates that these services shall be covered under Medi-Cal regardless of Federal financial participation.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1300	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 3/17/06)	Would authorize the City of Beverly Hills to establish a pilot project utilizing a mobile photo radar speed enforcement system in a residential district or a school zone, and require the City to submit a report prepared by an independent qualified contractor to the Legislature by July 1, 2006, on the efficacy of the mobile photo radar speed enforcement system in reducing speeding an improving traffic safety in residential districts and school zones.	Senate Transportation and Housing
SB 1323	Cedillo	Support (State Update: 3/17/06)	Would provide \$350,000 in State funding over five years for a probation officer in a prototype mental health court in Los Angeles County, which would help non-violent felony offenders who have serious substance abuse and mental health problems to obtain treatment.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1375	Lowenthal	Support (State Update: 3/14/06)	Would require the State to become a party to any public-private partnership agreement to replace deficient court facilities when that agreement involves a lease. The Judicial Council would have to determine that an affected court facility is deficient, and that construction of a replacement facility is the most suitable way to correct the deficiencies.	Senate Judiciary
SB 1421	Margett	Support (Board Action: 3/21/06)	Would require the California Department of Education (CDE) to consult with the County Department of Public Social Services, the Los Angeles County District Attorney, and the Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles to develop a plan to establish a pilot project to identify, investigate, and seek prosecution of suspected cases of fraud in the Stage 2 and Stage 3 CalWORKs Child Care programs.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1520	Ducheny	Support (State Update: 3/28/06)	Would make technical changes to County-supported SB 1100 (Peraia) which implemented the Medi-Cal Hospital Financing Waiver. Specifically, would clarify that the five University of California academic medical centers and Los Angeles County's five public hospitals are treated as a system rather than on a facility specific basis for the purposes of allocating Medicaid dollars under the Waiver, to the extent that payments do not exceed the sum of individual hospital payments.	Assembly Desk

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SB 1570	Alquist, Ashburn	Support (State Update: 5/10/06)	Would require the State Interagency Team for Children and Youth to develop a plan to transform California's group home system for foster youth and children with serious emotional disorders into a residentially based services system designed to provide intensive, short-term interventions to expedite placement in a permanent family setting.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 1576	Murray	Support (Board Action: 4/18/06)	Would fully fund the Transitional Housing Placement Plus program for Transitional Aged Youth who emancipate from the State's foster care system.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1596	Runner	Support (State Update: 3/17/06)	Would establish the Nurse-Family Partnership Program and require the California Department of Health Services to make grants available to counties for the provision of voluntary visiting nurse services to first-time pregnant, low-income mothers, their children and their families. The program would be implemented only to the extent that funds for this purpose are appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or other statute.	Senate Appropriations Senate Suspense File
SB 1773	Alarcon	Support (State Update: 3/22/06)	Would augment the Emergency Medical Services Fund by authorizing counties to collect an additional \$2 penalty assessment on every \$10 penalty for all criminal offenses and moving violations. It would allow county boards of supervisors, by resolution, to levy the additional \$2 penalty assessment for specified crimes and moving violations, including speeding, seat belt infractions, domestic violence, and DUI's, but only if the increased penalties do not offset or reduce the funding of other programs.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1815	Romero	Oppose (State Update: 3/28/06)	Would, among other provisions, exempt peace officers from certain elements of the workers' compensation reform enacted by County-supported SB 899 (Poochigian) in 2004.	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
SB 1848	Committee on Business, Professions & Economic Development	No Position Support (State Update: 4/25/06)	NOW: Was amended to address barbiting and cosmetology. PREVIOUSLY: Would have repealed the sunset date of July 1, 2006 of the Business and Professions Code that authorizes the Los Angeles County Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures and the Orange County Agricultural Commissioner to charge a \$5 fee for each structural fumigation conducted. Urgency measure.	Senate Appropriations

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SJR 13	Escutia	Support (Board Action: 5/24/05)	Would urge the President and Congress of the United States to amend the Federal Railroad Safety Act to increase authority of state and local governments to enact railroad safety regulations providing greater protection for their residents from railroad derailments, hazardous materials spills, and highway-rail crossing accidents, as long as state enactments, rules, or regulations do not conflict with Federal law and do not impose an unreasonable burden on interstate commerce.	Assembly Transportation Committee